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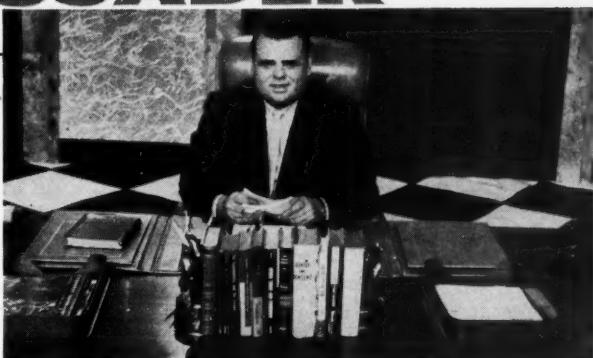
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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN AMERICAN CHURCHES

At the very outset of this article let it be said that exposing Communism in the churches *does not* aid Communism. This has been clearly established by the fact that the Communist *Worker* sided entirely with the National Council of Churches when the Air Force Manual controversy broke. In addition, our churches will have lost all reason for existence if they have so departed from the fundamental teachings of the Scriptures that they can parrot inhumane Communist objectives.

THE VOICE OF EXPERIENCE

Matt Cvetic, who for 9 years was a member of the Communist Party while serving as a counter spy for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, wrote in the February, 1961 issue of the *Christian Crusade* magazine:

"Many American clergy and church laymen are not aware that the Reds have a well worked-out plan for the infiltration of our churches and church organizations.

"This infiltration is planned by a secret group of high level Red agents, labeled the 'Clerical Commission of the Communist Party.' This Red 'Commission' is composed of Soviet agents and American Reds, posing as ministers, preachers and priests, who have fallen away from the church and joined the Communist Party, and lay Red agents. *How do I know about the existence of this Red Clerical Commission?* I have reason to know only too well, because in 1945, while posing as a Communist for the F.B.I., *I was a member of this Red Commission.* In the Pittsburgh district alone, this commission consisted of 12 well-trained Red agents. Similar Red commissions with orders to infiltrate and use the churches and church bodies exist in every section of the United States.

"It might be apropos to point out that at this very moment, Red agents are entrenched in key positions of some of our national church bodies. There, under the cover of respectability, they are zealously carrying on their Communist work, often aided and abetted by the very churches and church groups they are plotting to destroy.

"... If the Reds take over in our free nation, we may be certain that their plan for religion is the same as it is for Russia, Red China and Tibet. *I personally sat in secret Red meetings where*

plans for the torture and murder of the American clergy were discussed."

FEAR OF EXPOSURE SEEN

With this sobering statement from a former member of the Communist Party who can verify Communist infiltration of religious bodies *first hand*, we will examine the pronouncements and directives of the National Council Of Churches offering conclusive proof that this body is most certainly a tool of the Communist Party.

In his publication "Communist Target — Youth," J. Edgar Hoover, head of the F.B.I., said, "The Communist attack on the (House Committee on Un-American Activities) in San Francisco was in line with a long standing party aim to destroy not only the HCUA, but also the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee and every other 'enemy' seeking to expose the threat which Communist activities represent to the internal security of this Nation. The party reaffirmed its dedication to this aim at its 17th National Convention, held in New York City, December 1959, when it passed a so-called political resolution calling for activity to abolish the 'witch-hunting' HCUA and Senate Internal Security Subcommittee.

"Thus, when the decision of the HCUA to hold hearings May 12-14, 1960, in San Francisco was announced, it was mandatory for Communists to implement the convention resolution by doing everything possible to disrupt the hearings as part of the overall aim to destroy the HCUA."

The National Council of Churches followed this directive just as faithfully as did the Communist Party. On his broadcast of July 5, 1960, Fulton Lewis, Jr. said: "If you are a protestant and one of the 39 million Americans whom the National Council of Churches claims to represent, you may be interested to know that the National Council, with Bishop Gerald H. Kennedy of Los Angeles as the official spokesman, is appealing to the platform committee of the Democratic National Convention in Los Angeles, to include a plank in favor of the outright abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities." Essentially the same facts were reported in the *New York Times*, July 5, 1960. The Communists resent the actions of these investigating committees because their activities cannot endure exposure. *Could this be the reason the NCC is determined to abolish these committees?*

A STRONG TIE TO SOVIET OBJECTIVES

In the Hearings regarding the issues presented in the Air Force Training Manual conducted by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Mr. Richard Arens, Staff Director of the HCUA, said: "Thus far, of the leadership of the National Council of Churches

of Christ in America, we have found over 100 persons in leadership capacity with either Communist-front records or records of service to Communist causes. The aggregate affiliations of the leadership, instead of being in the hundreds as the chairman first indicated, is now, according to our latest count, into the thousands, and we have yet to complete our check, which would certainly suggest on the basis of the authoritative sources of this committee, that the statement that there is infiltration of fellow-travelers in churches and educational institutions is a complete understatement."

A wire to the House Committee signed by Eugene Carson Blake and other NCC leaders at the time of the Air Force Manual controversy called for an apology from HCUA. It read:

"We call upon the Chairman of the House Un-American Activities Committee to retract his untrue statement of charges against the churches and to apologize to the National Council of Churches and to the 60 million members of Protestant churches in America, and we further call to the attention of all churches and their members the never ending necessities to protect the freedom of religion and to exercise the duty of all Christians to judge the acts of same in the light of the teachings, example and sacrifice of Jesus Christ."

NCC REJECTS OFFER TO REFUTE CHARGES

Chairman of the Committee, Hon. Francis Walter, offered the NCC leaders an opportunity to refute the charges and show cause why they were untrue when he sent the following accommodating telegram to each signer of the NCC telegram:

"Do you desire the opportunity to appear before the Committee on Un-American Activities in order to question the accuracy of the material which came from the Committee files and which appears in the Air Force Manual? If you desire such opportunity, we can arrange a time convenient to yourself."

To this date, the challenge to testify and allow a complete investigation of the charges which the NCC says are false, *has not been accepted by NCC leaders*. Here again, they have adopted the Communist tactic of making a loud noise through propaganda and then backing off when they are offered the opportunity to face the facts.

Dr. Ralph Lord Roy, in his whitewash book *Communism And The Churches*, which is promoted by the National Council of Churches, admits Communist Party membership among the clergy. Mr. Roy wrote: "Only a small number of clergymen over the past 40 years ever joined the Communist Party, possibly as few as 50, perhaps as many as 200."

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An impartial analysis of political, economic and military events in the critical areas of the world, derived from confidential sources, with emphasis on facts that have not been made fully public. Editor: Major General C. A. Willoughby, U.S.A. Ret. MacArthur's Chief of Intelligence 1939-1951.



THE STATUS OF JEWRY IN SPAIN

THE SHADOW OF COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA

At stated intervals, the fellow-traveling, crypto-communist "liberal" will burst forth with a calculated smear campaign against "dictators and undemocratic regimes," selecting Franco of Spain and Trujillo of the Dominican Republic while preserving a tolerant silence vis-a-vis the world's worst colonial tyrants, Khrushchev, Mao Tse-tung and the fledgling Castro. While Spain and Sto. Domingo have become the "whipping boys" of the Fabian West, the pseudo-democracies in Africa receive the pontifical blessing of the liberal Press even though these infant states are already earmarked as Red stooges and are developing progressively into Red police-states.

With the debacle (intelligence-wise, since it should have been foreseen) of the billion-dollar American airfields in Morocco becoming available to Russian aircraft, our relatively modest investments in Spanish Air and Naval bases become suddenly invaluable as the rear-echelon of NATO defenses. One would imagine that even "liberal" Americans had enough common sense and realistic appraisal to recognize Spain's strategic role—but they persist in sniping at General Franco at the slightest provocation. One of the repeated, intermittent smear attempts is in the field of religious tolerance.

This slant has been tried before—and the record of innuendo is an old one: It aims at both Catholicism (which has not always been prudent in local intransigence) and at the Jews (who have not always been prudent in local attitudes). Jewry is often supersensitive—but has ample historical reasons for being apprehensive and on the alert.

This apprehension and the defensive fraternal organizations which Jewry has built up everywhere plays into the hands of pseudo-liberals and outright Communists who use the label of "anti-semitism" whenever possible. This applies to Spain as well. When Khrushchev put on his scandalous show at the U.N., he selected Spain and General Franco as his particular

targets of vilification though the West need not have taken this blast as serious.

General Franco is the only commander of stature who took on Russia's mercenaries, the so-called International Brigades (the prototype of the Kremlin cliche of "Peoples Volunteers") that were developed from British, French, Italian and American Communists, in the Spanish Civil War. The Kremlin never forgave Franco inflicting a military defeat on Russian led forces in the Spanish Civil War 1936-1939. The anti-Franco, anti-Spanish propaganda is going on at full blast.

We have only to mention Matthews' anti-Franco book, "The Yoke and the Arrow," a complete prostitution of historical facts including an incredibly brazen falsification of the defense of the Alcazar of Toledo. Matthews is a "New York Times" big-whig who is heavily involved in foisting Castro on the American public—until that Red stooge tipped his own murderous hands.

When you have that kind of "brainwashing" inflicted on the average reader, it is important to keep the record straight. What is the status of Jewry in "dictatorial, Catholic Spain?"

A REPORT BY THE HON. ABRAHAM J. MULTER, M.C.

Fortunately, there is first-rate historical evidence, by competent eyewitnesses—Congressman A. J. Multer, M. C.¹ and E. J. Keogh, M.C.² both of New York. The report is old but is so precise that it should not drift into oblivion. Said Mr. Multer, M.C.:

"... I love freedom and democracy. I despise every type of dictatorship, political or religious, vicious or benevolent. Accordingly, I had never had any de-

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(2) Eugene J. Keogh, Democrat, New York. Represents Ninth District, Kings County, N.Y. Elected consecutively from the 75th to 86th Congress. This record is unusual in every respect. It denotes a persuasive personality combined with absolute political expertise.

sire to visit Spain. I had been told that my antagonism against the Spanish Government was engendered by misinformation and that the Jew in Spain was accorded the same privileges as any other Spaniard. I made no effort to hide my disbelief. I continued to believe the newspaper and magazine articles about the terribly oppressive conditions under which Jews lived in Spain, confined in ghettos, denied the right of religious worship and the pursuit of the traditional rites of practicing Jews.

WHY I WENT TO SPAIN

"In Paris we attended the Rosh Hashana — Jewish New Year — services in the famous Rothschild Synagogue. It overflowed with worshipers. There was standing room only. During the portion of the services devoted to meditation I thought of the fact that here were thousands of free men and women praying according to their ancient tradition in a place but so recently occupied by Hitler's Nazis. Through my mind ran the places where freedom of worship was still proscribed. Communist Russia and her satellites came to mind, some Arab countries, and then Spain. An inspiration struck me. From France we proceeded to Spain instead of going to Italy as originally planned.

NO DISCRIMINATION, NO GHETTOS

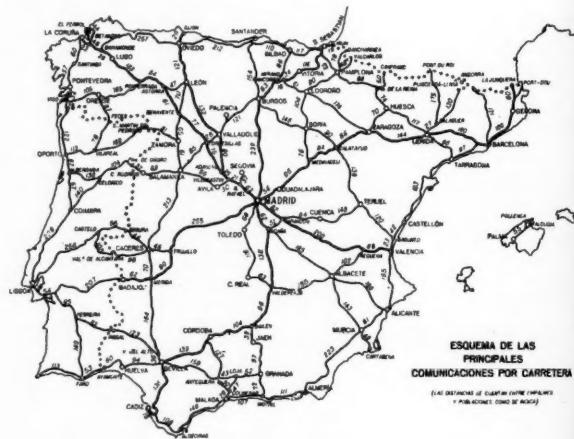
"We spent most of our time with the members of the Jewish communities. We conversed in English, Yiddish, and German. We were in their places of business, in their homes, and in their synagogues. We were shown around Barcelona by native Jews who were as proud of their city as any Brooklynite is of his Brooklyn. There is no discrimination against the Jew in business or in employment in Spain. The Jewish employee and the Jewish employer have the same privileges and the same rights as any Spaniard. No one asks him his religion. It is the only place in the Eastern Hemisphere, outside of Israel, where I observed Jews proudly wearing in their lapels the gold Mogen David, the shield of David, colloquially referred to as the Jewish star. The Jews are engaged in business as merchants, exporters, importers, and manufacturers. They live wherever they can afford to rent or buy a home. There is no ghetto. No one asks their religion before they rent or sell a home to a Jew. They make no attempt to hide their Judaism. They are not afraid of persecution because they happen to be Jews.

FREEDOM OF ACTION

"Shortly after our arrival in Barcelona the local Jewish community tendered a testimonial dinner to me at the Ritz Hotel. Not only was the dinner publicized but the printed menu cards said in Spanish that it was tendered by the Jewish community of Barcelona. The place cards carried the names of every person in at-

tendance. Pictures were taken by a commercial photographer. That is certainly not the conduct of a minority group of people which is faced with persecution or is fearful of oppression. Congressman Eugene J. Keogh, of New York, made an inspiring talk at this dinner, which was gratefully acknowledged by those in attendance. I visited their synagogue which is used for daily prayer. As in most Jewish communities, the synagogue customarily used for daily prayer is not large enough to accommodate the large number of worshipers on the high holy days. In Barcelona, they solved their high holy day problem by renting a theater which they equipped for use as a synagogue during those holidays. I was there between New Year's Day — Rosh Hashana — and the Day of Atonement — Yom Kippur.

ROADNET OF SPAIN



SPAIN'S ROLE IN RESCUING JEWS

"It was in Barcelona that I first learned of the thousands of Jews that were rescued with the aid of Spain from the Nazis. That was told to me by a Jew who had been interned in a concentration camp and who was not only rescued by Franco's men but was given the very job he holds today by one of them. I later had the fact confirmed to me by a representative of the American Joint Distribution Committee that during the height of Hitler's blood baths, upward of 60,000 Jews had been saved through the generosity of Spanish authorities who permitted them to enter into Spain and then helped them proceed to places of safe refuge. Upon my return to this country I contacted the World Jewish Congress and received from its representative a copy of the resolution it adopted in November 1944 in Atlantic City, N.J.

'The War Emergency Conference extends its gratitude to the Holy See and to the Governments of Sweden, Switzerland, and Spain and to

the International Committee of the Red Cross for the protection they offered under difficult conditions to the persecuted Jews in Hungary. It is confident that this protection will be continued and its scope enlarged in accordance with the contingency of the situation.'

"From Barcelona we flew to Madrid. Again we devoted ourselves to the Jewish community. There are only about 500 Jews in Madrid and about 3,500 in Barcelona. I since learned that there are also two very small communities in Valencia and Seville. In Madrid we attended the Yom Kippur services in their synagogue. I participated in the prayer services, wherein we used Torahs which in 1939 had been secreted for safekeeping in a Catholic monastery and later returned by a Catholic bishop to Dr. Ignacio Bauer, as president of the Jewish community in Madrid. Dr. Bauer is a lawyer and a professor of law at the University of Madrid. A teacher of English in a Catholic high school there assured us that the school authorities have known from the day they hired her that she was an orthodox Jewess.

SOME RELIGIOUS RESTRICTIONS

"I inquired in both cities about restrictions against the practice of traditional Jewish rites. I was assured that there was no restriction against kosher slaughtering of fowl and cattle. The Jews are required to obtain permits to maintain their synagogues. The same is true, however, of all non-Catholic places of worship. Having in mind that Spain, like certain other European countries, has a state religion, I thought this was an unfair requirement imposed for the benefit of the Catholic Church. England and the Scandinavian countries have state religions, but no such requirement. Italy, which has no state religion, does have such a requirement. The reason given for the requirement in Spain and in Italy was that the government desired to be in a position of assuring itself that no religious institution would be used as a cover for revolutionary or anti-government activity. What bothered me greatly was that in Barcelona the Jews were not permitted to bury their dead, but were required to seal the bodies in vaults in a wall maintained at one side of the civil cemetery. This condition did not prevail in Madrid, where the civil cemetery was divided by a wall into what became two cemeteries, one for the Jews and the other for the Protestants. However, I was assured by Mr. Enrique Benaroya, president of the Jewish Community in Barcelona, and by Dr. Ignacio Bauer, president of the Jewish Community in Madrid, as well as by many others in both cities, that they were quite happy with their lot in life, that the Spanish authorities extended every co-operation to them and their co-religionists, and that they suffered no discrimination at the hands of authorities or of private citizens.

INTERCESSION ON BEHALF OF JEWS

"Before leaving Madrid I called on the Foreign Minister. I also told him about the things I did not like. I emphasized particularly that, while I did not approve of the regulations requiring permits to maintain places of worship, at least the written permits should be issued. I also said that the cemetery situation was not only intolerable but irreligious. I was most agreeably surprised to find that the Foreign Minister was in accord with my thinking on both subjects. After discussing these matters with my distinguished colleague, the gentleman from New York (Mr. Keogh), he suggested that we discuss them with the Spanish Ambassador at Large, Jose F. de Lequerica.

RESTRICTIONS ABOLISHED

"I am happy to announce today that I have before me confirmation of the fact that formal permits have been issued by the proper Spanish authorities for the maintenance of the Jewish synagogues, and for the burial of Jewish dead in accordance with orthodox religious requirements. The World Jewish Congress wrote me:

'We received direct confirmation from our friends in Spain that the Barcelona community was granted official recognition, and that the communities of Barcelona and Seville were given permission to maintain their cemetery.'

"Dr. Bauer wrote me from Madrid:

'I am certain you are already aware of your great personal success. Thanks to your intervention, the Barcelona community is already officially recognized, and we hope that the Madrid community will also be approved shortly. I consider this as being really a great feat.'

"The American Joint Distribution Committee wrote me:

'The efforts you made while in Madrid apparently have borne early and productive fruit.'

CONFIRMATION BY THE HON. E. J. KEOGH, M.C.

"In this connection the views of Congressman Keogh, M.C. are significant:

'My knowledge of the matters about which he has spoken leads me to observe that Mr. Multer has rendered our country a great service. He has been an important factor in removing some of the real or fancied differences that have tended to separate us from the people of Spain. The long-time effect of his conscientious and successful efforts to improve the situation of the Jews in Spain will become the greater as time goes on. He has well served the cause of peace and has well served the Spaniards of Jewish faith.'

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Communist Pressure For Red China's Recognition Intensified

The communist conspiracy has intensified its drive for recognition of Red China. Communist leaders are calling for all Communists and friends of Communism to bring pressure to bear upon the Kennedy administration to accomplish this important goal of our determined enemy.

One of the shallow arguments used by people who are duped into supporting the communist conspiracy drive for recognition of Red China is that such recognition would help create a split between Red China and the Soviet Union. This is stupid nonsense. Communist leaders in the Soviet Union and those in Red China may have their disagreements, but such disagreements are always over methods of attaining their final victory over enemy number one, which is the United States of America.

If current hopes of such a split had any real basis, the Kremlin leaders of international communism would not be making recognition of Red China a major foreign policy objective. Here is what communist leaders themselves had to say about hopes for such a split in the statement issued by 81 Marxist-Leninist parties on December 5, 1960: "...utilization of all the advantages of unity and solidarity among the countries of the socialist camp, are a primary international condition for their achievements and successes... hopes of a split within the socialist camp are built on sand and doomed to failure. All the

socialist countries cherish the unity of the socialist camp like the apples of their eye."

The communists consider their world-wide victory over us as inevitable. No amount of appeasement of any particular communist dictator is going to bring him to our side. Individual communists can and do defect from Communism, but when they do they cease to be communists. No communist can be a friend of freedom as long as he remains a communist.

Communist conspirators in the United States, in the Soviet Union, and communist conspirators everywhere want recognition of Red China because it will be another long step forward in their plot to enslave the American people. Americans who allow themselves to be duped into supporting this extremely important communist goal are helping to bring final destruction upon this great nation of ours. As a minister of the Gospel, it pains me deeply to know that there are high-ranking clergymen who are working diligently for the accomplishment of this and other important communist goals. The main goal of my Christian Crusade organization is to throw light on the darkness which surrounds these important questions upon which our survival depends.

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"INFILTRATION" *(Continued from page 2)*

The importance of this statement is the admission of Communists among the clergy. The number mentioned is not important since only the highest officials of the Communist conspiracy know the identity of Party members. Party members living in the same city or working in the same plant may be totally unaware that the other is a Communist. Therefore, Mr. Roy has absolutely no way of knowing the number of Communists in religious circles. His admission of Party members is based on the exposure of Communists who have been members of the Clergy.

NCC USES DICTATORIAL TACTICS

Under any form of dictatorial government, individuals and groups who oppose the policies of the powerful regime are quickly removed from the scene. This has been practiced by Communist slave-masters, especially against Christians, in each nation subjugated by the Kremlin since the Russian revolution. Nor are such tactics too high-handed for the hierarchy of the National Council of Churches. When the Lay Committee of the NCC (which most certainly was closer to the spiritual and social pulse of the man in the pew than were the professional clergy comprising the General Board of the NCC) began to object to the political action taken by the NCC, the Lay Committee was abolished by a vote of the General Board on March 17, 1954. In a letter to the National Lay Committee of the NCC, the Chairman, J. Howard Pew, explained the break between the General Board of the NCC and its Lay Committee. Mr. Pew said:

"Throughout our Committee's term of life, it repeatedly brought to the Council's attention the seriousness of the problems involved in its issuance of controversial statements and studies in the field of sociology, economics and politics; the danger inherent in speaking to official Washington and the United Nations General Assembly in behalf of Protestantism on matters outside their field and for which they have possessed no mandate . . .

"We, as lay people, were alarmed and unhappy as the National Council assumed the right to speak increasingly on subjects in which it was difficult to see ethical or spiritual content for that inarticulate and voiceless body called, '34,000,000 Protestants.'

" . . . The Lay Committee believes also that the Constitution of the National Council must be so amended as to permit real lay participation before it can speak authoritatively for the clergy and those who sit in the pews."

SPIRITUAL VALUES OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE

Perhaps it was not so much what the Council was requested to *not do*, that brought about the abolition

of the Lay Committee, but what the Lay Committee thought the NCC *should do*. In his letter to the Lay Committee after its abolition, Mr. Pew said:

"Our premise was that, instead of appealing to government, the church should devote its energies to the work of promoting the attributes of Christianity — truth, honesty, fairness, generosity, justice and charity — in the hearts and minds of men. We attempted to emphasize that Christ stressed not the expanded state but the dignity and responsibility of the individual."

Just as the Communists seek to destroy the investigating committees of Congress because they expose the conspiracy for its tyrannical, lying, deceiving, dictatorial nature, the NCC could not tolerate a National Lay Committee which would not condone the incessant pronouncements made by the General Board "on behalf of the 40,000,000 protestants" without receiving sanction from member denominations or their congregations. This was, evidently, another occasion where the National Council feared exposure.

NCC RECOMMENDED READING LIST

In 1957, long after the dissenting voice of the National Lay Committee had been silenced through abolition, the NCC Department of Racial and Cultural Relations published a 40 page pamphlet entitled "The Negro American — A Reading List." The Lay Committee, who recommended that the NCC should "devote its energies to the work of promoting the attributes of Christianity — truth, honesty, fairness, generosity, justice and charity," would most certainly not find the reading list within the "representative voice of constituent members." Labeled books "about Negroes which are safe to recommend for children — safe because they qualify as literature," by Alfred Kramer, Associate Executive Director of the NCC issuing body, and a "careful selection" — "we have tried to save you time by culling the best," by compiler Edith L. Hussey, some of the books were actually banned from the mails as lewd, lascivious or obscene under section 1461 of title 18, United States Code.

What is even far more revealing and indicting is the Communist and pro-Communist bias of the authors of many of the books listed in the NCC recommended selection. For instance: One of these authors is Victor Perlo, author of "The Negro in Southern Agriculture," published in 1953 by International Publishers, the Communist conspiracy's major publishing firm in our nation. A 1945 United States intelligence agency document revealed that Perlo had served as head of the second most important espionage group in the United States government. During 1952, Elizabeth Bentley testified before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee that two espionage rings worked under

her, one of which was known as the Perlo group, because it was headed by Victor Perlo. Perlo was a member of the well known "Ware Cell," the first Communist cell to be established in the U.S. government in the early thirties. The 1953 Internal Security Subcommittee described Perlo as "an open propagandist for the Soviet world conspiracy." Perlo's book, "American Imperialism," which contains vicious smears of the U.S., was highly praised in the Communist press.

COMMUNIST EDITORS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Another author, Herbert Aptheker, is editor of the Communist monthly directive *Political Affairs*, and is an outspoken enemy of the U.S. His book, "A Documented History of the Negro People in the United States," is on the NCC list as recommended "that teachers and librarians might profit by knowing what books about Negroes are safe to recommend for children."

While testifying in behalf of the Communist Party before the Subversive Activities Control Board in 1952, Aptheker stated that the Soviet Union and Red China were on the side of peace, but that he believed the Government of the United States was "the center of war danger in the world." *The NCC leaders evidently felt that this was the concurring opinion of their membership congregations!*

W.E.B. DuBois' book, "Black Reconstruction," is another "recommended" book. DuBois has served on the faculty of the Communist Party's Jefferson School of Social Science. He has been a contributing editor for the Party's magazine, *Masses and Mainstream*, and has written for other Communist publications. In 1945 he sent his greetings to the *Daily Worker* on its 30th anniversary. DuBois has been associated with over 75 Communist fronts and causes. He was denied a passport by the U.S. government until the Supreme Court's decision opening the passport gates for the conspiracy. In 1952, DuBois was awarded the Peace Prize by the Soviet-controlled World Peace Council.

DuBois' wife, Shirley Graham, who also has an extensive record of affiliation with Communist fronts and causes, also authored several books on the NCC recommended list. Shirley Graham was a marshal in the Communist Party's 1950 May Day parade, and contributes to the Communist *Political Affairs*.

NCC OBJECTS TO CONSTITUTION

A Swedish Socialist, Gunnar Myrdal contributed "An American Dilemma" to the NCC list. Myrdal has complete contempt for the American system of free enterprise and his book defames the Founding Fathers of our country and attempts to discredit the United States Constitution. He said "modern historical studies . . . reveal that the Constitutional Convention was

nearly a plot against the common people. Until recently the Constitution has been used to block the popular will." The "popular will" is nothing less than socialism and Communism.

A much more complete exposé of the Reading List and subversive authors can be found on pages 7842-7846 of the Congressional Record — House, April 20, 1960.

THE DEPTH OF DEGENERACY

Say what you will about *guilt by association*, the fact remains that the NCC, as religious leaders, have no defense in recommending books by as blasphemous an author as Langston Hughes, avowed Communist Party member and author of the following poem:

"GOOD-BY CHRIST"

Listen, Christ
you did all right in your day, I reckon —
But that day's gone now.
They Ghosted you up a swell story, too.
Called it the Bible —
But it's dead now.
The Popes and the Preachers 've
Made too much money from it.
They've sold you too many
Kings, Generals, Robbers, and Killers —
Even to the czar and the cossacks,
Even to Rockefeller's Church,
Even to the SATURDAY EVENING POST.
You ain't no good no more.
They've pawned you
Till you've done wore off.
Good-by.
Christ Jesus Lord God Jehovah
Beat it on away from here now.
Make way for a new guy with no religion at all —
A real guy named
Marx Communist Lenin
Peasant Stalin Worker Me —
I said me!
Go ahead on now,
You're getting in the way of things, Lord,
And please take Saint Gandhi with you when you go.
And Saint Pope Pius,
And Saint Aimee McPherson
and Big Black Saint Becton
Of the Consecrated dime.
And step on the gas, Christ!
Move!
Don't be so slow about movin'!
The world is mine from now on —
And nobody's gonna sell ME
To a king, or a general,
Or a millionaire.

The National Council of Churches indicts itself by what it says, does, and by its very refusal to clean house within its hierarchy.

WEEKLY CRUSADER readers are directed to further articles revealing the left-wing and pro-Communist political and social dictates of the National Council of Churches in the WEEKLY CRUSADER, Vol. 1 Nos. 1,6,11,13,15,16,19,20,21.

LOST: U. S. Constitution. Finder please return to American people. Reward — Freedom.